

the sake of cleaning out this plagur-spot to the south of us. This state of things has been described more than once, but there is a condenness and a fervor about Mr. Matthews' description which may make it worth quoting:

Probably the greatest surprise that thousands of persons found, when they forcing in the first stary days of Ansercan control, was clean streets. * * On bright smoling days first stary days for the first stary days for the first stary days for the first stary days they were not no clean as the streets of New York in wet weather. The reason was that there is no foundation for the paying stones in the streets of Havrin. When hard traffic jobs over the square, unporte partner stones of the city on a rainy day, its black hand, poisoned with the filth and daenase germs of decades, and even continues, existing between Confluence and the entire of the street under American problem in the street under American are desired. The rate over and the entire of the street under American took actual charge of the heavest the street, was falled. Deal at the street, the street, was falled. Deal at the heavest the street, was falled being of the heavest the street, was falled being the street of the heavest was falled being the street of the heavest the street, was falled being the street, guide the shoulded, garbage was considered every contributed the street, and the public formalists were the street, and the public formalists were that the American Army of the repetition of the public formalists were than the American Army of the repetition of the public formalists were the street, and the falled and the carried be the street, and the falled and the carried as falled and the carried as falled and the carried be the street of the s

out a general assurance that pobody ter the misratess Colonel Blim received a letter from the blackemillar, who seemed to be overconduct that he had done any-thing wrong and instated that his victim pay him what he seemed to consider a just debt. He unid:

The naivese of this is rather amusing, but at shows the condition of things in the government of the Spanish column. In the chapter on "The New Postal Service" it is stated that under the old postal against their juy by sharging from 2 to 5 cents gometimes more, for every letter they de-The chapter on "Americans in Culm" is

business enterprises, and that was what pusiness enterprines, and that were what happened. Some of these achieves were missessible, but more were not and this chapter in full of picturesque in-idents. It may be well to quote a few paragraphs which give fragmentary pictures of Cuba which give fragmentary pictures of Cuba fost after peace was declared;

there was little certainty that any administ re-fam would result from their work. They are littled one another at night, issue asked how they were getting on, and the comments expression in he bound was:

"I shark I'll go been mad week."

Many seem in Harman looking for bondoms appea-ings seemed to be implied by aver-realisations. I yenerate contain who was always so the joint, and who was containably weaking seem a lat of figures whenever he sat deste. I was told that he was from Michigan, and that he wanted to in-tradice Grand Rapids formiture on the island. Anyone who straiged the ways of the Orders people, and observed how denoted they are to the four making theirs that face har other reaking chains across a very fit the parties of every incon-could see what a difficult task that American agent had. The Cubats get malescary for their formiture, and the pieces are of a most solid and substantial nature. There is no much thing as pinals or selvet in recember use on furniture, and the American agent was somewhat discussinged lower the self of his stay. These were dimentical formences of a forthidding nature against the in-troduction of cellulary American furniture.

Parhaps it is just as well that the style of art prevalent in some American furni-ture establishments will not be introduced

t once into Havana.

The condition of affairs in the various

A possible case of what might be called nneonscious moral sussion happened in Canfucgos, and it has a funny side. This

Finally be decided that it had to be done, and that the crashi and repotation of the American army as a lighting love rested upon him. He awaggived around, and put on airs. The Steamards reduced to be trailed, and when be trailed endute the situation he longer, his ye lighted on a glass insulabr at the top of a telephone pole. He raised his rife to his sheader. The Spaniards endured his gun at the insulative and fired. There was a non-motion on the house.

The book is fully illustrated, and will be a valuable action one side, raised his gun at the insulative was fired. There was a non-motion on the following that they were the only state to one side, raised his gun, and fired again. Another insulative was to high feather, and brought down a fired insulator. He had shown the Spaniards what a latted States soldier coule do.

The effect upon the Spanials soldiers was electric. After they were sure that there was no charger of being sold, they deaded to the foot of the pole, pleased up the places of tricking glas, and kept them as a momentum. They seem that there was not being them as a momentum. They seem the process to Spain with them as surrenty of the marvious shouting of the American soldier. The history shouthed in all life appoint to our troops, that it remotes a sold as a powerful in relieving the strain in the field to can lake, and soon they were fact friends, and are removed early of the mixed soldiers, respecting man who round about the field to can lake, and soon they were fact friends, and are removed on the marvious will be provided by the places of the range of the mixed their field to can lake, and soon they were fact friends, and are removed only the most original and sticking is "My Lady of the Events on Cuba and in the marva deals."

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The provided was presented in the margants and captive of the way to spain with the author's own heat work. Perhaps the most original and sticking is "My Lady of the Events and Cuba

the Havana cigar factories. The cigar-makers hire readers to read aloud to their workmen during about three hours of the day, in two sessions of an bour an a half A part of this time is given to news. ure, generally of a high order. The rendward his support. Now and then there has been an attempt to stop the readings, but this always brings on a strike.

"Charlotte Bronte at Home," is the latest book of literary reminiscences by Marion Harland. It is written with that peculiar combination of arcedote, chronicle, char-

spent her childhood was a dreary little place. It is not to be wondered at that the sumbre atmosphere of Hawerth Parson-age got into the books of its children. The chapter devoted to the home life of the Brunts family opens with the following

Then follows an account of the various and estrices of Cuba, and in the pages deal and estrices of Cuba, and in the pages deal and captivating "Jim Wainwright's Kid."

"The Folar Zone" is a weird creation, a little out of the regular line of the authors own bent work. Perhaps the most original and striking is "My Lady of the Eyes," and the most pathetic and captivating "Jim Wainwright's Kid."

"The Folar Zone" is a weird creation, a little out of the regular line of the authors. tittle out of the regular line of the au-thor's work, and "The Clean Man and the Dirty Angels' is the queer title of the best character sketch in the volume. "A Peg-Legged Romance" is the only one of the stories with a strong vein of humor. The main interest of them all may be said Peg-Legged Romanne" is the only one of the stories with a strong vein of hunor. The main interest of them all may be said to be the love-interest—human emot on in some form or other, generally that of love between man and woman. In the early days of the railway sentimental people used to think that there could be few possibilities for the story-toller in this sooty.

we have the story of a young engineera little rough of tongue, perhaps, but a clean-souled, chivalrous, and manly Amer-ican mechanic- and the curious relations which existed between him and his fireecombination of assessed, chronicle, character-study and description which makes
a book of this sort fascinating and it cannot fall to interest those who have delighted in "Jane Eyre" and Shirley," or
who are innerested in the literary life of
the last half-century. This strange, sby,
brilliant woman-genius is one of the
unique figures of the history of English
literature. the house in which Charlottle Bronts and not even her chillhood was a dreary little and not even her companion suspected the large. It is not to be wondered at that There are two or three things about this atory which are peculiarly American. The bringing up of the girl in a free, untrammeled atmosphere is one; another is the

Culson Reconstruction.

Culson

winted. Then he began to worry about the expense and probable failure of a book by an obscure writer, and she gave him book and criticisms and slipped cway. (The path of the literary woman in the forties was not a particularly casy one.) Subsequently the family oracle appeared in the partor, and standing over the plainty laid tea table, exclaimed:

'Saven on the lighway,' it is a story of life on the Continent, the scene being laid in the partor, and standing over the plainty laid tea table, exclaimed:

'The queer little incident which followed the success of "Jane Eyre" is, perhaps, not so well known. The critics thought that the three pen names, Currer, Ellis, and Acton Bell, were but masks for the identity of one and the same person, and in the singleness of their integrity the sisters considered this a sing upon their verseity. So Charlotte and Anne set out for London at once, two quaint little figures. The experience they had is werth publishing.

Dread for the eventual power, Charlotte and Anne set down to an erry two, eating his and have set down to an erry two, eating his posture. The posture of Bernhard Inets, the highestric, and Anne set down to an erry two, eating his content of the earlier book. Like is expense they had in early two and in the son the Continent, the scene being laid in the hamber of Hexentels," in the bleak hill country known as the Rough Alp. Vront Lendt, the heroton, is a child of the mountains, straightforward, willful, wayward, and delightful, down and purity of motive which was swident in what is perhaps her beat work, "The Open Boor," The quaint mountain dialect is reproduced in a way which adds an indescribable charm to the story. The posture of the earlier book. ing souled stonecutter of the earlier book. But there is nobody like Vroni in any book, either by this author or another. She is unique, and she is the kind of character who could have been created only by a woman novelist. (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons. \$1.5%.)

LITERARY NOTES.

more than the ordinary boy can possibly equire. Later he went through Purdue University in Lafayette, Ind., and there he made the valuable acquaintance of Mr. John T. McCutcheon, with whom he has since been closely as ociated. After leaving college, Mr. Ade's interest in journilsm took him into the office of a country paper where he acted as reporter and man of all work, filling any position which happened to be vacant for the moment, from office boy to managing editor.

This fall he will bring out a book called

ng could be more up-to-date in the ordi-nary city life than the peculiar logic and moralizing of these little rales. With such uaintness, which makes the large type and apitalizing, and the formul and conven-ionalized illustrations by Mr. Ciyde J. Newman extremely appropriate.

Hugh Thomson, the illustrator of Jan-Austen, has drawn seventy illustrations for the edition of Charles Rende's 'Peg Wothington,' which the Doubleday & Mc-Citire Company will publish. These are all in the delicate line work which Mr. Thousan has made practically his own, and when coupled with Reade's delightful picture of early theatrical life in London, when Gartick Burn 2018. rick, Barry, Colley Cibber, and Kitty Clive were among those who gathered about the immortal Woffington, they come with pro-jounced interest for the lover of good

At last we are to learn of the late Span-ish war from the standpoint of the regu-lar. Hitherto be has been content to let the volunteers and the reporters write the books, while he attended to the serious has been an attempt to stop the readings, but this always brings on a strike.

Mr. Matthews book is sketchy and unconventional in style, and makes no pretense to being comprehensive, but it contains a great deal of interesting inaterial, most of which in practically new its the public. (New York Harper & Bros. \$2.56.)

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Charlotte Broate it flome, is the latest.

within N. crosses, whose both partraits of celebrities are so well known, has made another collection of drawings under the title of "The Square Book of Animals." published by H. H. Russell. These pictures are as striking as anything Mr. Nicholson has yet done. The subjects are domestic animals, including a duck, a hen, a coll a sent ele.

Recently Miss Pamela Colman Smith, the color illustrator, was visiting Rev. S. Bar-ing Gould at his beyonshire home, and there met Sir Henry Irving. The greatest English-speaking actor was so impressed with the originality of her work that he asked her to design a poster for his use in America, using the quaint color schems which has brought her early distinction Miss Smith's greatest enthusiasm is per-haps for illustrating the best of the old English ballads and folk sengs, using the story which are peculiarly American. The bringing up of the girl in a free, untrammeled atmosphere is one; another is the character of the hero, who, like the average decent young American, will protect a weaker commade as readily as he would shield a woman. When the identity of the "Kid" is finally discovered the romance begins, and the two are finally married. Hawseth Parsonage, as all the reading world known, stands upon higher ground than the claim. A tiny decreased to the colling moon. The fact of the burying ground by a brick well. Behind are fields eloging upward to the colling moon. The gravesard ites upon the bont and une end of the dwelling, and, on the upper gable end, is higher than the beam grounds, suggesting gressome thoughts as to the quality of the water drained than the beam grounds angesting gressome thoughts as to the quality of the water drained than the beam grounds and propose. There are four recens upon the first flour with a contrail hall. The apartment at the right of the first door was assigned at since to Mr. Broate as a study. Back of it, but with no communicating down, was the kitchen. It had one window and 2 cear door giving upon the yaril. Opposite the sindy was the parlor. This was the family

semi-stilted phrasenlogy of the committee scenery under the direction of a Mr. Pemon resolutions. But, after all, that does not hurt them for the purposes of this story-teller. The stories are good enough to be told in almost any form. (New that it will be possible to realize the flavor

Vincent gives most graphic accounts at the life of the Boors and the mining and other interests of the Transvanal. His visit to the Transvanal was followed by a journey through the Orange Free State, where he visited the capital, Bluemfontein, and afterward he made a careful study of the Kimberley diamond mines. His lowers south. herley diamond mines. His journey south-ward and his stay in Cape Town fornished additional facilities for a comprehensive view of the present theatre of action in Africa. The results of this personal study of the ierritory now attracting so much strention include many characteristic illustrations. "Actual Africa" is published by D. Appleton & Co. who have also issued "Dom Paul's People," by H. C. Hillegas, which has been called "the true story of the Boers."

A unique volume of verse—which has the merit of indicating the author's sincerity, and speaks strongly to the enthusiast and lover of the sonnet, is "A Garliand of Sonnets" (in praise of the poets), by Craven Langatroth Betts. The volume will be issued by Messrs. M. P. Mansfield & A. Wessels, of New York, and printed from an "old-style" type on deckle-edge paper with Japan paper portrait insets; the whole bound after the French manner and enclosed in a slip case.

and enclosed in a slip case. George Ade, author of "Artie," "Pin't Marsh," and "Doc Harris," was born in 1866 at Kentined, Ind., the sun of the town banker. There he had an ordinary town boy's schooling, but he derived from it a touchdown. The same feat is described in Mr. R. H. Barbour's new football story, "The Halfback," and the exciting incident is illustrated in the frontispiece of the book, which has just been published by D. Appleton & Co.

The important subject of "Food Polsoning" in its relation to health will be dis-cussed by Prof. Victor C. Vaughan, in "Appletons' Popular Science Mouthly" for November. He calls attention to the dan-ger from poorly canned foods, especially

Seumas MacManus, the young Irishman who came to New York a stranger, and startled the editors and publishers with so early and complete a victory as almos so early and complete a victory as almost to discourage native writers, is the author of a volume of sketches of giants, witches, kings and fatry spells, entitled "In Chimbery Corners," to be brought out in the middle of October by Doubleslay & McClure Co. These stories owe their charm no more to the way in which Mr. MacManus has caught the clusive spirit of Manus has caught the clusive spirit of Manus has caught the crusive spirit of folk lore, than to the fact that they are so delightfully and bafflingly Irish. The book is elshorately illustrated in color by Miss Pamela Colman Smith, who has done a remarkable piece of work in getting hold of the author's will-'o-the-wisp humor

This story is being told with great relish in Yale: When Miss Caroline Hazard was installed president of Wellessey the other day Dr. Hadley, of Yale, met President Ellot of Harvard. "I hope you are coming to the inauguration at Yale," said Dr. Hadley.

"I expect to," replied President Ellot, It suddenly occurred to President Hadley that as President Ellot had received his degree of LL. D. from Yale the Harvard president might properly appear at the in-I hope you will wear your hood of Yale

President Ellot grasped the situation instantly. He remembered that President Hadley had received his degree of LL. D. from Harvard, and he said: "I'll wear my Yale blue hood if you'll wear yours of Harvard crimson."
"Agreed," said President Hadley.

And both kept their word.

"Madrid, the Spanish capital," says the "Pail Mail Gazette," "has one or two papers which have a fair circulation, but they cannot compare in importance, as to their industries over their own country's sopulation, with other first-class Continenal newspapers—with the best profactions of Austria, Russia, or even Italy. Of the Spanish papers probably the "imparcial" has the greatest sale amount the people of Madrid; but the chief paper for influnce amongst the better classes is "La Spoca," which is a conservative journal of very old repute, having been established very old repute, having been established for over half a century. "La Epon" has never supported any other party in Spain but the high Conservatives. Its present effectation may be taken as being about twelve thousand daily, and it is edited by the Marquis de Valdiglesias, who is also one of its proprietors. It is a four-page to the proprietors of the proprietors of the proprietors of the proprietors. It is a four-page was supported as proprietors. journal whose columns are principally given over to news from Spanish sources; and its supply of foreign matter and do-ings, as we know them in this country, is ings, as we know them in this country, is but scarry. There is generally a leading article of importance in its first column, and the latter half of its fourth page is given to the "serial," which is as much in the cuttinosity answed, "A length." vogue in Spain as elsewhere on the Con-tinent.

Charles Scribpers' Sons announce a new book by Frances Hodgson Burnett, outilled, "The Great DeWilloughby Claim." The DeWilloughby claim is a claim that is being fought out in Congress, and naturally Mrs. Burnett's intimate knowledge of Washington life in its iess familiar phases is drawn upon. The writing of "The Great DeWilloughby Claim" has extended over some years, and the book is really a culminating one in Mrs. Burnett's series of

CURRENT VERSE.

Dusk. Dusk.

The frightened herds of clouds across the say Trample the surstine down, and chase the day into the dusty forest lands of grey And somber terdight. For, and faint, and high the wid goese this its barrow, with a cry Sad as the wall of once poor carteway. Who seen a vessel drilling for serry of his last loope, and lays him down to die.

The critic shoul with according to Better a picture on the wall; "You call this art? Now we shat My, It is not netweat at all.

"It has not many legs, its head is for low legs, who ever see A its the that, will leap and shoul, And wings that look as it they police."

And with a preture of disput.
He waved his bond, when her the fir.
Flew tron the purture. "Abl some dust,"
The critic sold, "was in an eye ye."

- Hinty Cayle.

Youth.

The chariot of the mean makes blind the blue As towards the goal his burning axis glass; There is a first transpet firlding through Wide heaven and carth with deeds of one wh

dures— With peaks of splendid name, Wrapped round with estral flame, tiere is the land of Fame.

The purple priesthood of the evening waits With golden pump within the temporal sizes; There is a hurp of weekip at the gates of leaven and carris that hids the and attac-with columned cliffs and long Vales, maple breather mining, Here is the land of Song.

con-record, the epic of the night unralls a starry utterance o'ce beight and deep; here is a wave of begute at the scale flexion and sorth that fulls the heart aslerg-with storied woods and streams, Where mortile glows and gleans, Here is the land of Drams, —Madison Cowrin.

What an exceeding seet 'taill be When I can leave off being Me! To think of hi!—at last be rid Of all the things I ever did!

Done with the varying di ines Of reiractive continument Set free to feel the joy unknown Of life and love beyond my own!

Why should I long to have John Smith Extractly to strength with? Pm John-but sought w chemben Seem quits incongrames with him. It would not seem so queer to dow! Eternally John Smith in Hell.
To be one man forever seems Most fit in purgatorial dicama.

But heaven! Rest and power and peace Most surely mean the soul's release From this small labeled entity— This reasong limitation—Me!— Charlotte Perkins Section in the Cosmope

My Poets.

saw them in my dreams—a goodly band with lyre of gracitous make within each hand, a hance weath upon each shinks head, the young as youth and all fair-garmented. They except the strings beside a magic sea That ever best its seaves in melody. Upon a shore where blooms immortal sprang Between their test, for colour while they exig.

I waked, and saw those in the light of day;

And offerwhiles they sing when racked with pain, Or space of field and flower, of Love's domain, When nursed about by sad and tolloome sights And lacking sir and space and May delights.

And yet methinks I level their motler inore. Than these dram singers that I amy before; And yet methinks they looked of benetally no. By some strange token on their favor and fare.—Richard Burton.

'Twas in green-leafy springtime.
When the birds on every tree.
Were breakin' all their little hearts.
In a merry merody:
An' the young built lung like tassels,
An' the flowers green everywhere—
Twas in green-leafy apringtime.
I first saw Rose Adair.

I mer her nowin' madrooms.

With her white feet in the grass,
'Twas even but merrin' is the annie
(), my seven walker, flux,
An' I kined her, oh, so secretly,

The lather in confession, Block, World come that love a sing. That with a kies tips at the local Art lets in angel to: Twas so love subset duto mine, Art made his dwellin' there. If that's a sin, the local forging Your beauty, Bose Adaly.

The leaves will fall in the automo.

An' the Cowers all come to greef.
But the green love in my beart of leasts
Wall never shed a leaf. For the sensence of your bonnic syste.

Will keep it green an tabt.

An your becatil will be its breeze at spring.

O merty Bose Adult.

-Temple Box-The Law and the Lady. The Law whereby my Ludy mores Was never have to nor, But 'the county that She approves, Whatever Law at his

For in that Law and by that Law My constain course I'll steer; Not that I heed, or deem it dread, But that She Indds it dear,

The' Asia and for my content Her richest Argonius, Those would I spare and hid return If that should give Her case,

With equal heart Ud marets degard Each spiced sail from aight, Sans bitterness desiring less Great gest than Mex delight.

Yet such put L year, such am I, Sore bond, and froest free, fore bend, and break free.
The Law that oways my Lady's ways
Is mystary to no.
- Hudyard Kipling.

Rhymes of a Spelling Reformer,

A man was committed to good For stealing a temperary mast. The judge was scalle, And gave this one very. Without any option of basis.

A grand old bootmaker of Hawarden Land in spend the whole day in his gawar When his friends said him why He leabt up at the sky. But only replied, "Heg your powarden."

It is said that Nathaniel Friences Lived which on bread and broad blickness; When invited the est But a sincere of user He answered, "Jose think what it minimum."

A safter, who squeeted a query, Was civil to all that he known; If he sinth under the He used to entire And any, with a look, "After sures.

A groun of the royal demane: Was the finest all man ever sener; But he kept out of sight In a dista day and might, Fur lear of annoying the queues.

The amiable Commission Heigh.
Set sail down the channel are daigh;
When asked, "Do you know
Which direction to got?"
He answered, "I'm ferling my waigh,"

One aution the Marquis of Stevaes Shet a martridge with trunite paynes; Then he eried. "I'm alraid Of the hason I'm smald! See only one feather convenest!" —Weatminster Chaptie.

NOTES AND QUERIES.

In the glass make really a surpent? V. S. It is a lizard and has no affinity with

What is the population of the Transvasi Se-About 800,000, more than half of whom

What is the minimum population regulard to stabilish free mail delivery in cities or toward. A. X.

By the law of 1887 the requirement was population of 10,000, or a postal revenue r \$10,000. The department is now considring extending the system to smaller Were Projections concepted in the Council of sulliver, hard in A. D. Wall

Hardly, since Protestantism was not heard of until 123. The data of the first Council of Lacdings is uncertain and, is placed variously from 382 to 272. When slid Sir Garnet Mobiley take command of the Unition become in Egypti 2. When was Alex-mittin bombarded?

In 1882 2. On July 12 and 12, 1882.

W. J. D.—On the second of this month the Treasury Department placed the na-tional debt at \$1,408,600,827. The last Federal Census put the aggregate of State, county, municipal, and school district debt, can ataking fund, at \$1.15.210.482.

Gazt is the minimum capital stock with which millional banks are permitted to organized S. C.

Pifty thousand dollars. This in cities of less than 6,000 population. Elsewhere the capital may not be less than \$200,000, and in places having more than \$200,000 inhabi-tants the capital stock must not be less than \$200,000.

In the United States Navy three are of com-celle guideans. Carl year off the which they are, not weat in the difference between them and an entirery guideas?

They are the Annapolis, Whenling, Newport, Viviaburg, Frinceton, and Marieria. They are smaller, slower, and have smaller guns than the regular guntouts.

There were coined for the calcular year ending December 31, 1800, 801,800 after dollars, so you see they are not rare. But don't let that discourage you. Insist on your impossible premium; if it is nothing but a cancried postage stamp.

What is the area of the City of New Orleans? There many notice in their front has the city? What is its population? A. F.

The area is 156 1-4 miles. 2. Seven miles on each side of the river. 3. Mayor Flower estimated the population on January 1 of this year at 200,000. By the cause of 1856

Not all our recognized breeds are of Eurupean origin. The sources of few breeds can be traced with certainty, but if is sup-posed that the originals were the argali of Asia, and the musimose of Corsics, both be-ing large-horned wild sheep.

What is the "dimelens" build? I When was be eagle adopted as the national ventions of tenerals. If P. S. A rifle bullet of metal so soft that it

mashes, and on striking a man makes a saring wound nearly as dreadful as that rom an explosive builer. They have been used by England against excepts whose fevoity made them indifferent is a large reportion of the wounds from inter-day the bullets of small calibre. 2 1786.

What move power has an abstral of the saxy, that a cor achieved? 2 Why is Devey varieties a matrix move than the great possests of the scil var? 2. How many goods failure will a paint tray of your gold make?

He ranks all rear admirals. 2. Because his achievements are more recent, and because the Spanish war developed fewer popular heroes than the civil war. 3. Gold is valued in our coimage at the rate of \$2.22 roy pound of gold would thus give 248.04 tollars.

A woodcut is a picture or design printed from an engraved block of finely grained wood. A lithograph is printed from stone, usually in several colors. A steel engrav-ing is printed from an engraved steel plats. The last is the most costly of the three, and woodcuts are more expensive than

they long have electric breathern leen in NOTE. About forty years. The first practical trial of a free-alarm telegraph system occurred in 1561, both in New York city and Berlin. It was much modified before it was adopted. The carriest record of an electric fire-alarm is a British patent issued in 1841. Prior to that there were many automatic fire-alarms that were not electric. That of Joseph Smith, patented to England in 1802, is an example.

n England in 1802, is an example. What is the trial of the pya? What is the trial of the graf 2. G.

An examination of coins reserved from successive coinages to be tested for weight and finences. In this country the trial of the pya occurs amounty at the Philadelphia mint on the second Wednesday in February. It takes place before the Computabler of the Currency, the assayer of the New York newsy office, the judge of the United States Court for the Enstern district of Pennsylvania, and others designated by the President. The coins bested are from the other minds as well. If no detects are found, a report of the proceedings is filed, marely; if deviations is encouraged those allowed by law are discovered, they include a certified to the President. ed the facts are certified to the President, who has power to remove the officers at fault. In England such trials so ur each

car before a sworn jury of all goldsmiths. The pyx is the strong box in which such What in through sed fore are necessary to join he Order of the Communic 2.58 hat are the equipments of the Colonial Dissect. M. Jo.

Male descendants of Continental officers Male descendants of Confinential effects orsed officers as high as enjousi in the French co-operating arms are entitled to membership in the Society of the Cincipant, if deemed worthy. What the fees are we do not know, but you can assertain by addressing the Secretary General, Col. Ass. Bird Gardiner. New York City. 2. There are two orders of Colonial Dames of America. One lesists that its members shall be descended from some ancestor of worthy life who came to this country. of worthy life who came to this country prior to 1750, and who rembered to his country some efficient service during the about period. Services remisred after 1778 do not entitle one to membership. The secretary is Mrs. William Reed, 183 Monument Street, W. Haltimore, 354. The other order is parriotic and educational, and not so exacting as to descar, we while its secretary is Mrs. Timethy Mat-lach Cheesman, 156 Fifth Avenue, New

Take the largest in this country, that of New York: It has a row of exty-five desire, one for each bank. Here appear at about a actick in the morrows two cleans for each bank. One cleak is stationed at his bank's desk, the sales, a messenger, stands before it bearing all the checks are directly on the previous day, all seried in envelopes. At a signal, each messenger steps to the next desk and delivers the envelope of checks on its bank. The the envelope of checks on its bank. The elects receive for the envelopes, and the messenger pair or to all the decks, re-turning to their own. Thus such messenger has delivered to each bank everything has bank received from it the day before, and each clock has received the checks due tim. The clerks then report to the clearing-house manager, and settlements, in fe-gal-tender notes or coin, are made, to the manager, before 1:30 of the same day, he diately turning the cash over to the banks' representatives.